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CONGRESS ENDS LONG SESSION

DIFFERENCES SPEEDILY SETLED AND "FINISH" WRITTEN AT 4:30.

CLOSE IS HARMONIOUS

Members Forget Feuds and Grasp Hands in Joyful Good-Byes—Clark Thanks the House.

By The Associated Press.

Washington, Aug. 26.—Sobered by the embarrassments of Saturday's all-night session of filibusters and disagreements, congress adjourned its difference today, invited President Taft up to the capitol once more, and at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon wrote "finis" after the proceedings of the second session of the Sixty-second congress.

The end was marked with a return of harmony. Senator La Follette, demanding action on the revenue campaign fund resolution, found an opposition smoothed away in front of him and the resolution passed almost without discussion.

Senators Culverton, Martin, Swanson and Chamberlain, after fighting bitterly for the payment of the "state claim" embodied in the general deficiency bill, yielded to the urgings of their colleagues and permitted the senate to yield to the demands of the house and strike these claims from the bill. In return for this concession, however, they received the promise of support next winter when the claims again will be pressed for payment.

No Extra Month's Pay.

With these old claims, amounting to \$600,000, went the "extra month's" pay for congressional employees, which the senate demanded and the house refused to give. In the last half hour of the session, while President Taft waited in his special room to sign the measures of the dying congress, an attempt was made to rush through a special resolution giving the employees the "extra month," but the house again blocked it.

The president signed the general deficiency bill at 4:10 o'clock, making certain the payment of the \$1,000,000 deficiency in army pay, the \$150,000 for the Gettysburg memorial celebration next year, the \$550,000 for extension of customs work, and scores of other important payments that hinged on the passage of the bill.

Session "Fixed Out."

The session just "fixed out" in the senate, to use the words of one observer. A comparative handful of members occupied their seats, and a call for a quorum in either the house or senate would have forced a return of the embarrassing situation of last week.

A wild outburst of applause greeted Speaker Clark's announcement of adjournment as his gavel fell in the house. The floor immediately became an animated scene, members bidding each other good-bye and shaking hands. Old-time political foes buried all differences and all feuds apparently were forgotten in the general leave-taking.

Further animation and color was lent to the scene when the women flocked down from the galleries to join husbands and fathers on the floor. The corridors were crowded with tired, but happy, members and their families and friends, and Speaker Clark's room was crowded with friends and admirers. Just before he announced the adjournment, Speaker Clark addressed the house.

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Then, as the hands of the clock slowly crawled to 4:30, Senator Galloping, in the chair, arose and declared

TO NEED SIX MILLION

THAT IS THE AMOUNT NECESSARY TO RUN THE STATE.

Estimates Being Filed Are Piling Up the Demands for Annual Needs.

Special to The Morning News.

Austin, Tex., Aug. 26.—Not less than \$6,000,000 a year will be required to properly operate the governmental machinery of the state of Texas for the next two fiscal years, according to estimates that are now being filed by the heads of institutions and state departments with the comptroller's department for the attention of the Thirty-Third legislature.

Increased appropriations are asked by practically every state department, educational and eleemosynary institution in the state. It is already apparent that should the next legislature grant all that is requested and recommended by these institutions and departments, the total will greatly exceed \$12,000,000 for the next two fiscal years, but it is not believed that the amount that will be finally allowed will fall much below the twelve million mark.

The appropriation urged by the departments and institutions for the Thirty-Second legislature was approximately \$11,000,000, and by a well defined system of trimming the house and senate finance committees succeeded in bringing it down to something like \$10,000,000, and then the governor took another whack at the general appropriation bill and when he finished the pruning process had brought the sum down to \$9,600,000.

The expenses of the state government have in many instances increased during the past two years, new bureaus have been created and this will increase the appropriations needed. Besides, the democratic platform this year recommends liberal appropriations for the educational and eleemosynary institutions, and taking advantage of this situation, the heads of these institutions have not been slow in asking for more money. It will thus be readily observed that \$6,000,000 a year is a conservative estimate.

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SPECULATORS ROB FARMERS

LOCAL COTTON EXPORTER ADVISES PRODUCERS TO HOLD THEIR CROP.

SLUMP \$1.25 YESTERDAY

UNLESS PRESENT GRAFT IS CURBED, TEXAS WILL LOSE MILLION DOLLARS IN SEPTEMBER.

Yesterday cotton sold in Waco at \$1.25 per bale under the prices paid late 1900. The receipts will be while Saturday it ranged around 111-8. Ocean freight speculators are charged with a large part of the responsibility for the slump, and, unless they are curbed, they will rob Texas farmers of \$1,000,000 in September, according to a statement made last night by a prominent cotton exporter of Waco. He estimated that the cotton marketings in September will reach 1,000,000 bales, and he figures that the speculators would rob the producers of \$1 a bale. The money thus taken from the pockets of the Texas farmer would go to enrich Europeans, from whom the speculators are drawn.

Speaking further of the cotton market and the recent decline, the local cotton exporter said: "It seems that everything has conspired to reduce the price of cotton. Two months ago every indication pointed to a late crop, but the intense heat forced the plant to maturity at the expense of the yield, which now promises to be 20 per cent less than last year."

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Local Receipts.

Receipts of about 125 bales at the Waco cotton yards yesterday brought the total for the season up to approximately 1,000.

In their efforts to keep up with the heavy balance of the week and next Saturday the number of bales brought in is expected to even exceed that of last Saturday, when the receipts reached 760, the largest of any one day in the history of Waco. The hot weather is causing cotton to open very rapidly, and the farmers have been rushing their crops in as fast as gathered.

Nearly every bale brought in so far has been sold as fast as it was ginned.

In their efforts to keep up with the fast-opening crop, farmers who came to Waco yesterday made a thorough canvass for pickers, and several reported that they were unable to get any. They are offering 60 to 75 cents a hundred, pickers to board themselves.

With a good rain within the next two weeks, farmers say the yield will be greatly augmented. Otherwise no more fruit will be put on and much of the fruitage now on the stalk will drop off before maturing.

WOULD UNSEAT GOVERNOR.

Petition Circulated for Recall of California Executive.

By The Associated Press.

San Francisco, Aug. 26.—A petition for the recall of Governor Hiram Johnson has been put in circulation here by V. A. Udell, an attorney. Udell could not be found today. Investigation failed to show that he had any powerful support in offering the petition.

One of the charges made in the petition is that Governor Johnson approved legislation intended to foster land grabbing by wealthy individuals.

Clark Congratulates House.

"As the hour of adjournment approaches," he said, "the speaker desires to congratulate the house on having reached the end of the longest and most laborious session on record. Congress has been actually in session more days since December than any congress that has ever sat. The speaker desires to thank all members of the house on both sides of the big aisle which separates us politically, but now as friends and patriots, for the uniform courtesy with which they have treated the speaker. I hope we will all reach home safely, all have an enjoyable vacation and will all return refreshed and invigorated for our work next winter."

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YESTERDAY IN CONGRESS.

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Washington, Aug. 26.—Today's proceedings in congress follow:

Senate—Met at noon.

Mr. La Follette prepared to continue his filibuster to force vote on the Penrose resolution.

Petitions for investigation of the election of Chilton and Watson presented.

Passed Penrose resolution providing for further inquiry into Standard Oil campaign contributions.

Yielded to house protests against state claims and passed general deficiency bill with objectionable claims eliminated.

Adjourned sine die at 4:30 p. m.

House—Met at noon.

Marked time for senate's adjournment.

Adjourned sine die at 4:30 p. m.

BIG FOUR ICE HAS BURN OUT

FIRE DESTROYS ENGINE ROOM AND ROOF OF BOILER ROOM.

E. E. ELLIS TELLS IMPORTANT FACTS

BEAUMONT RAILROAD MAN PLACES ESTIMATE UPON VALUE OF PLANT JUICE.

Many people will be interested in the following statement made by Mr. E. E. Ellis, whose home is 225 Stewart street, Beaumont, Texas, and who is an oiler for the S. P. railroad. He says:

"I never thought anything would do me as much good as Plant Juice has. I have suffered from liver and kidney trouble for a long time and one can hardly realize what he has been through until he is cured and feels sound and well. A sluggish liver upsets the whole system, and weak kidneys can pull a man down pretty fast. I read the statements of many others about Plant Juice and then I tried it. The result has been great, and whenever I can direct a sufferer to it I will for he will be sure to thank me forever after."

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the shut down of the refrigerating plant or the power plant, as the case may be, and is what is called in the insurance world, "consequential damage." The Progress laundry got all of its power, steam and water from the Big Four.

The Turner-Coffield company got their refrigeration from the Big Four. The M. B. Ice Kream company got power from the Big Four.

Waco Fish market had fish stored in the refrigerating plant.

Eugene Trott had been stored in the refrigerating plant.

Consequential Loss.

Their losses will be from the interference with their business during the time it is necessary to make repairs. All who were asked about it yesterday stated they knew of no policies being carried on "consequential damage," but that class of insurance is written in connection with a fire policy, the form used reading as follows:

"The conditions of this contract are, that this company agrees to be liable only for such loss or damage to the property covered, not exceeding the sum insured under this policy, as may be caused by change of temperature resulting from the total or partial destruction by fire of the refrigerating or cooling apparatus, connections or supply pipes, or by the interruption of fire of refrigerating or cooling processes."

It is understood and agreed that the liability assumed by this company hereunder shall be only such proportion of the actual loss and damage above specified, as the amount insured under this policy bears to the total value of the property hereby covered."

The M. B. Ice Kream Company.

The M. B. Ice Kream company adjoins the Big Four, fronting on Eighth street between Franklin and Mary. Ab. McLendon is the manager.

It is equipped with 56 horsepower of electric energy in all sizes from one-quarter h.p. to 40 h.p. The power to drive these motors is secured from the Big Four company, the M. B. company having its own cold storage rooms.

The destruction of the engine room takes away the power from the M. B. company, and it cannot connect with the Texas Power and Light company lines as all of its motors are 110 v. c., while the light company is on a 220 A. C. system. Yesterday Mr. McLendon arranged to secure a motor to run a 20-ton ice machine, and it is being put in service at once. The cold storage room will hold for 24 hours, and by that time he will be able to take up the business. In the meantime Mr. McLendon has ordered new motors from Dallas by wire, to be shipped by express, so that he can get connection with the A. C. current of the light and power company. His damage by stoppage cannot be estimated. His plant is still running, however, but it is slow work for the men who have been using machines to break up ice with an ice pick.

Turner-Coffield Company.

The Turner-Coffield company had four cold storage rooms connected with the Big Four plant. They had room in their storage for seven or eight cars of stuff. Until better arrangements are made they will take care of their perishable stuff in cars, racing as often as is necessary and paying demurrage to the railroads.

The Progress Laundry at once made arrangements to handle their business through other laundries of the city so as not to disappoint their customers.

Eugene Trott arranged to move his stuff so as to get it in cold places.

Frogs and Fish in Ice Cakes.

The Waco Fish Market had eighty-five cakes of ice frozen solid with fish and frogs. These were in the cold storage rooms, and in order to prevent spoiling wagons went to the plant and took these to the Geyser Ice Company where Mr. Luedde arranged to take care of them in his big ice rooms. It was a pretty sight to see those cakes of ice drawn out, each full of fine fat fish and frogs. One would hardly imagine there were so many fish this side of salt water. Manager Ben C. Richards estimated that he had about \$10,000 worth of fish in storage, but none of it will be lost.

Eggs in Cold Storage.

In the cold storage rooms of the Big Four company were \$40,000 worth of eggs. These eggs belong to merchants all over Central Texas and were being held here until they were needed. Just how many eggs there are in a lot of \$40,000 worth it is hard to tell, but if they are valued at 20 cents a dozen

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Be sure to try it. It is going to be as famous as Pekay Hard Water Soap.

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Both Phones 148.

BIG FOUR NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

The fire of Monday morning damaging the plant of the Big Four Ice and Cold Storage company will not in any way affect the business done by this company. All customers will be supplied as regularly as heretofore and the same superior service will be rendered.

Big Four Ice & Cold Storage Co.

OKLAHOMA AND NAVARRO COUNTY ARE ANALOGOUS

Both Sections "Dry" But Citizens Want Liquor and Get It-Prohibition Also Fails to Help Cleburne Pass Temple in Population or Business.

OTHER INSTANCES CITED OF PROHIBITION'S FAILURE

SECOND FIRE BREAKS OUT.

An Old Building at the Corner of Eighth and Mary Damaged.

During the afternoon, at 2:45 o'clock a second fire was discovered. It was the direct result of the first. On the corner of Eighth and Mary streets is an old building which was built many years ago. It was two stories, of red brick, with a round corner, and it has in the past thirty years been used for various kinds of business. It has been owned for thirty years by Tom Padgett, but a few months ago he sold it to Alfred Abeel, and it was the intention of Mr. Abeel to tear it down soon and rebuild.

This building was occupied by various and sundry establishments of large and small nature. It was just across an open lot from the wall of the engine room of the Big Four plant. During the afternoon smoke was seen coming out of the upper windows, and the theory is that fire from the blaze of the forenoon set burning the accumulations in the storage room above.

The fire department was again sent for, and several streams of water were put inside the building and the fire extinguished. There was a great deal of loss to the contents of this building by water.

Household Goods Upstairs.

The entire upper floor of this corner building was occupied by the McCrary Moving and Storage Company. It was full of furniture and household goods belonging to people who Mr.

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ELECTION HITS BAKER HARD

WORK ON THREE BUILDINGS HAS BEEN HELD UP PENDING RESULT.

NINE RESIDENCES ALSO

Agitation for the Pro Election Has Kept Back Work That Was Planned.

Effects of the agitation for the local option election have hit J. A. Baker, a contractor residing at 708 Preston street, with a vim. As a result of the calling of the election, work has been ordered held up on three buildings in East Waco. Two, the brick work on which will cost \$5000, were ready for letting the contract. Tentative plans had been made for the third, the approximate cost of which will be \$3800. James Baker, brother of J. A. Baker, who resides at 712 Preston, also has felt the effects of the agitation, a halt being called on the construction of nine small residences for which he has the contract.

In an interview at anti-headquarters on Franklin street Monday morning, Mr. Baker said:

"I have not made expenses for the past two months as a result of the agitation for this local option election. I have had several contracts held up, the men who are preparing to build saying that they might change plans if prohibition carries. I know of a number of other contractors who also are being delayed and are on expenses owing to the election being called. Some persons say an election of this nature does not disturb business. It does affect mine."

(Adv.)

delivered and consumed without the existence of a number of \$500 bonds to protect the wife, mother, daughter and sister of the habitual drunkard or the father and mother of the minor.

Will any honest man who knows the history of Corsicana deny that in-exigents will be delivered to and consumed by boys of tender years in Waco?

(Adv.)

WITH SALOONS AND WITHOUT

COMPARISON OF TEMPLE AND CLEBURNE IS INTERESTING NOW.

FIGURES OF THE CENSUS

Temple Goes Ahead of Cleburne, But Was Behind Ten Years Before, So Figures Say.

Cleburne, without saloons, and Temple, with saloons, make an interesting comparison and refute the statement that a dry town is more progressive and increases more rapidly in population. The government census figures for 1900 and 1910 follow:

Cleburne—1900, population 7492. Year 1910, 10,364.

Temple—1900, 7065. Year 1910, 16,932.

Temple had just lost the shops as they were moved to Cleburne, and fully 500 people went with them. This accounts for Cleburne having more people than Temple in 1900. But the last census shows that Temple has gone ahead of that city in population, in wealth, in taxable values and in every other way.

You can go to any part of the state and you will hear some man or set of men sing praises of Temple; that it is the best town in the state of its size, the best little town; one of the best, and many other complimentary remarks; but what do you hear from Brownwood from Cleburne? The towns are about the same size. Nothing—they are needing rain or something that will make a good town, but the last remark invariably is this, "It has been a good town."

STRIPPED IN A STORM.

British Steamship Reaches Port Minus Men and Sheets.

By The Associated Press.

San Francisco, Aug. 26.—The British ship, Port Patrick, from New York, minus her mate, two seamen, a suit of sails and the ship's stores, according to advices received here today. The Port Patrick, sailing January 2, met her first storm one day out and her last on the day before she reached Adelaide and saw no fair weather.

Two weeks out a northeast gale drove a wave over her stern and snapped off her wheel, carrying the two steersmen to their death. Sweeping forward, the combent wrench away the wheel box and two compasses, smashed the cabin skylight and flooded the ship's stores. The chart house was crumpled up and as the ship, free from her wheel, rolled into the trough of the sea, the wind stripped her upper canvas and tore the rest to ribbons.

A temporary steering gear rescued her this time and with makeshift sails she weathered gale after gale until she made the Australian coast.

The mate died of heart disease.

BITTER CAROLINA CAMPAIGN.

By The Associated Press.

Columbia, S. C., Aug. 24.—The most bitter campaign in the state's history will end tomorrow. Both Governor Blease and Judge Jones issued a statement today expressing confidence in the outcome. The Tillman letter, repudiating Governor Blease and calling on voters to support Judge Jones, is

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References—First National Bank or any commercial agency.

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playing an important part in the last hours of the campaign. Governor Blease is bending every effort to counteract the effect of the letter and his opponents are seeing that it is spread broadcast.

LARGE LAND OWNER DIES.

By The Associated Press. Sherman, Tex., Aug. 26.—John Fields, one of the largest lawn owners in the county, and a pioneer citizen, died here suddenly last night.

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TEXAS SECURITIES.

Our San Antonio morning contemporaneous hands us this: "The Express recently commented approvingly upon a suggestion by The Waco Morning News that Texas securities should, as far as possible, be handled by Texas financiers. Then The News exploded that its idea was not so much that Texas capitalists should handle Texas city and county bonds as that these bonds should be sold to the poor and the middle classes, as well, so that all might be more interested in their home affairs, while finding a good investment for their savings. The theory is a good one, the only particular objection to it being that in most cases such bonds do not carry a rate of interest that would justify a small investment. There are many opportunities in Texas to get good returns from investments in town and city lots, lands, etc., much better than could be secured from investments in bonds. However, there are some who would prefer the bonds, and they should have chances to invest in them."

The average Texas municipal, district and county bond pays a higher rate of interest than the savings banks—the postal or the other kind. And they are far preferable to some of the ten dollars down and five dollars a week for life town lot investments we know of. Issued in small denominations and sold over city hall or court house counters, such bonds form an ideal source of investment for small savings. The danger of losing them, that is ever present in the case of town lot installment plan purchases, is not there to worry their owners. Furthermore, they are the same as money and can be used in making investments in city or acreage or any other kind of property when a good opportunity for doing so presents itself. In the meantime they are earning interest and their possession gets their owners into the habit of saving the few surplus dollars they manage to get hold of. The main idea, though, is to keep the interest the bonds bear from leaving the state. Any citizen, rich or poor, ought to welcome an opportunity to assist in doing that.

LOCAL FREIGHT SERVICE.

The Santa Fe railroad announces that it will run daily cotton trains with the same regularity as passenger trains this season in order to facilitate the movement of cotton through the port of Galveston for the convenience of shippers. This is a splendid move and suggests further improvements in freight service. If these special cotton trains prove as satisfactory as we think they will, railroad traffic men may take notice to try applying the principle governing their adoption to the movement of local freight.

As a rule railroad operators seek to establish records for the transmission of through freight, but let local freight take care of itself. Yet there is more money in local freight than in through freight, despite the arguments that are sometimes offered to the contrary.

A great deal of merchandise moves by express that would move by local freight if reasonably good service of the latter kind could be depended upon. A look at the stuff that is unloaded from express cars at any station will reveal the fact that much of it is not, strictly speaking, express matter, and that its transportation as such is productive of delay in the movement of passenger trains without profit to the railroads.

Local freight is usually carelessly received, carelessly loaded and carelessly distributed. The conductor and the brakeman to whose care it is entrusted have their train to look after first. Sometimes they unload local freight at the station to which it was billed; sometimes they leave the car containing the shipment on a side track for the local agent to unload, or they may haul it past its station, to be buffeted about for a number of days. The result is that much freight is either lost or damaged. As a matter of fact, the bulk of the claims the railroads are asked to pay originate in the heedless handling of local shipments.

If local freight is worth moving at

all, it is worth looking after in a way that will encourage shippers to patronize local freight trains and render their operation profitable. The sums that are paid out in settlement of local freight would more than pay the salaries of a special man on each train to look after its receipt and delivery, as well as the salaries of necessary helpers to do the loading and unloading. It is false economy to require a conductor and his brakeman to look after these matters. Their business is to run a train, and if they do that properly have little time left for looking after the disposition of the loads they are required to move.

The average traffic or train operating official will probably resent the suggestion that the local freight service is not what it ought to be, but some day some obscure freight agent, in looking around for a plan to make a record with, will hit upon the one outlined above, and the result of its adoption will make him great, if the express companies don't wake up to what is about to be done to them in time to head him off.

THE PEOPLE PAY THE FREIGHT.

The railroads of Texas are taking the people into partnership with them in one thing at least, and the partnership proposal is one that is so very important that it is certain to command the time and respect of thinking men.

The corporations want the people to help reduce the expense of operating the properties.

That is all there is to it, but that is a great deal. Suppose we look at it from the standpoint of the railroads, as set forth in a half-page announcement that was recently published in all the papers of Texas over the signature of the general managers of Texas lines. They set forth the situation thus wise:

They are but trustees for the owners.

All rates are made by the Texas commission.

The owners are entitled to a fair earning on their investment, and are entitled to rates high enough to pay their fixed charges.

The railroad commission must take into consideration every fixed charge, and allow for extraordinary expenses, in fixing rates.

The people must pay the freight. Given a situation of this kind, wherein the people have taken charge of the rate-making authority, established it, put their elective officers on the tribunal and have passed laws requiring the railroads to come before that tribunal and receive its orders, it follows that the people must give due consideration to the rights of the owners of the properties. The matter of expense is not guess work. The science of management has taught the railroads how to figure to a cent the cost of handling a train per mile; it has taught them how to figure absolutely the cost of every duty they perform for the public, and they can readily show what this has been for any especial period of time.

But the public is very badly fooled, if it believes that the mere operation of the train between two points by trainmen, at a certain fuel cost and a certain wage scale, constitutes all the expense of a freight haul. Every item of expense which enters into the control, management, operation, repair, advertising, adjustment and when rates are fixed, the rate-making body is advised of the cost of all these things, and there is an allowance to cover it.

Therefore, if the state requires by law certain things of the railroad companies, which are an added expense to the companies, the commission takes into consideration the addition. These are the things which the general managers desire the people to know.

We believe that the laws should be so framed as to require safety in transportation, comfort, convenience, sufficient trains, prompt movement of freight and passengers, and due regard for the health, recreation, safety and pay of the employees. These things should be required of the companies by conservative laws. But added expenses, under the power of the statute, which are unnecessary, and are caused by agitation by narrow-minded men who happen to be vested with power as legislators, ought to be frowned on by all the people, all the time.

While the fire which destroyed the Big Four Ice company engine and boiler room was a serious affair, it could have been worse. Had there been a less capable fire department, the entire block would today be but ashes and debris, but with the perseverance and energy which has made Waco's department the strongest in the country, the destruction was kept within narrow limits. It happens that the most valuable machinery was located just where the fire started, which makes the loss so heavy. However, the owners of the big property

and philosophical; they will pocket the loss without complaint, and upon the same site there will be erected a greater and a bigger plant. There will be no ice famine because the Geyer company is of such great capacity that it can supply the needs of the people while the other plant is rebuilding, and Mr. Luedde has been generous in his offers of assistance to his neighbors who have had this misfortune. Mr. Abeel is a substantial citizen; he has many interests in Waco, and this fire loss will not deter him from the work of building and improvement which he had heretofore planned and which will be more extensive, now that he has a destroyed property to replace.

Waco was well represented in that magnificent cadet corps at the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas upon which Captain Simmons of the United States army, has just made such a complimentary report. Young Torrence of Waco, was chief bugler of the regiment of students and there were other Waco boys in the formation that made such a fine showing on dress parade. Colonel Milner, as president, is to be congratulated on the high standing the military department has reached under his executive direction.

The magnificence of Hotel Galvez, the charms of Bettison's pier, the exhilaration of the beach speedway, nor the delights of a sail on the bay were not sufficient in their combined attraction to wean any of our Waco folk from this city to Galveston. They like Galveston very much as a place to visit, but when it comes to home and business, they want to live in Waco. The Young Men's Business league did not lose a member or a citizen on that trip to the coast.

We beg to call the attention of Colonel George M. Bailey of the Houston Post, to the fact that the tax rolls of McLennan county show that the dogs of this county as carried on the rolls have an average value of \$36 per head. Can you beat it?

It is said that when one tastes Brazos river water as a resident of Waco he always returns. There was a whole train load reached Waco yesterday morning after trying the salt water at Galveston.

We do not really know how much we enjoy Alessandro's band until it leaves us for a day. We are sure the people of Galveston enjoyed that Sunday concert, but it was lonesome at Cameron park.

Colonel Roosevelt's effort to get congressional recognition of the American club has failed. The committee scattered to the four winds of the country at the first utterance of the short and ugly word.

The West subscriber who asks us to state the plural for Bull Moose is informed there is none. He is the whole tribe and is spoken of in both the plural and singular.

HARRY JOHNSTON GETS IT.

Will be Publicity Agent at A. & M. College.

By The Associated Press.

Austin, Tex., Aug. 26.—President Walton Poteet of the board of directors of A. & M. College, after a conference today with Governor Colquitt, announced the appointment of H. M. Johnston of Houston as secretary of the board of directors of the college and publicity agent at the institute to succeed James H. Quarles resigned, effective September 1, to become managing editor of The Waco Morning News. Mr. Johnston is the son of Colonel R. M. Johnston and is at present connected with the editorial department of the Houston Post.

WILL GO INTO COURT.

McNealus to Resist the Candidacy of Opponent.

By The Associated Press.

Dallas, Tex., Aug. 26.—State Senator J. C. McNealus today announced that the prohibitionists make nominations for senators in other "hold-over" districts in Texas as they have in this district, the sixth, he will go into court to prevent such names from being placed on the ballot. Although Senator McNealus' term has two years yet to run, the prohibitionists of this district nominated a candidate in opposition to him on the ground that all senatorial offices were vacated this fall because the legislature failed to redistrict under the last census.

COMMERCIAL SECRETARIES.

By The Associated Press.

Wichita Falls, Tex., Aug. 26.—Commercial secretaries representing the organizations of a score of Texas cities are in Wichita Falls for a three days' session to be devoted to discussion of methods and an institute on the work of the secretaries. The sessions are being held at Lake Wichita. On account of the lateness of those on this morning's program in arriving, discussions scheduled were postponed until this afternoon. Trade excursions and immigration are two of the subjects discussed.

Tomorrow night the visiting secretaries will be banqueted by the Wichita Falls Chamber of Commerce.

REPORT ON MILITARY

A. & M. COLLEGE GETS A FINE SEND-OFF.

War Department Inspector Has a Very Fine Opinion of the School and Its Work.

By The Associated Press.
College Station, Tex., Aug. 26.—President R. T. Milner has received from the war department the report of the inspection of the military department of the A. and M. college of Texas which was made April 8 by Captain B. T. Simmons, general staff, U. S. A.

As a result of this inspection, the college was again ranked among the ten most distinguished military institutions in the United States.

In his report Captain Simmons says: "I inspected 823 cadets organized as a regiment of three battalions of four companies each, with a band, also an artillery detachment to which privates of the senior class are assigned. The review was excellent. The cadets are a fine body of young men and present a very military appearance. The arms were in good condition and clothing neat. Regimental parade and guard mounting were excellent and music by the band very good. Regimental battalion and company drills were very good. Cadet officers have good command of their organization. Company A formed an advance guard properly and had a very good understanding of the duty.

The college maintains a hospital, which is in excellent condition. The report shows a very low percentage of sick. A good rifle range, with four targets, will soon be completed. Members of the senior and junior classes will have range practice before the end of the season. The military is a feature of the college and is in a very good condition. Lieutenant Fenton is well fitted for the duty as military instructor and has three valuable assistants in Sergeants Kenny, Koenig and Darbyshire."

Since the above report was written Lieutenant Fenton has been relieved by Lieutenant Levi E. Brown of the Thirteenth cavalry, who is the new commanding.

BIRTHS EXCEED DEATHS

VITAL STATISTICS SHOW PEOPLE LIVE TO OLD AGE.

Forty-Five Sets of Twins During July, Nearly All in White Families.

By The Associated Press.

Austin, Tex., Aug. 26.—The vital statistics report of the state department for July is the most complete yet compiled.

There were 4344 births and 2343 deaths reported during the month, 2021 more births than deaths (almost twice as many) an increase in births over last month of 243 is shown, also an increase in deaths over that of June of 184. Forty-five sets of twins are recorded, 39 sets born to white parents and six sets to negroes.

One set of triplets was born to white parents in Coleman county.

The greatest number of deaths (529) reported for July were under the age of one year.

Sixteen persons lived past the 90 mark. One white man in El Paso reached the age of 110 years, 2 months and 7 days. And another, an ex-slave in Harris county, lived to be 107 and another negro man in Grayson county died at 105 years of age. Diarrhea and enteritis "under two years" with 212 reported deaths took first place as leading causes of deaths. Next came tuberculosis with 209 victims, 27 deaths from pellagra were reported—29 white and 8 colored.

There were 16 suicides, 29 drownings, 57 accidental deaths, five died from the effects of heat, lightning claimed one and twelve people were murdered.

NARCOTICS TO CHILDREN

PURE FOOD MEN SAY NEGROES ARE SELLING.

State Staff Goes to Fort Worth on Clean-Up Campaign There.

By The Associated Press.

Houston, Tex., Aug. 26.—J. S. Abbott, pure food and dairy commissioner, today announced the appointment of H. F. Browder of Denton as pure food inspector in his department to succeed Clifford Stone, re-elected to the legislature.

Practically the entire regular staff of the department went to Ft. Worth today to conduct a general investigation of food products and allied sanitary conditions in that city. They will also investigate the conditions in dairy herds supplying the public milk market as it has already been represented that a large number of such places are uncleanly.

As a result of Tarrant county's prosecution of the illicit sale of narcotics the department may ask the legislature to give it control of the enforcement of this statute. It has developed in the local investigation that negroes and others had to some extent been selling cocaine, morphine and gum opium to school children. It is claimed by the chemists and inspectors that the anti narcotics statute is very loosely enforced in some parts of Texas.

A census of London's motor cars recently made showed a total of 1922.

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JOBING TRADE

DOLLAR A TON IS THE ADVANCE ON WIRE, NAILS AND OTHER STAPLES.

SHORTAGE OF CARS

Advance in Sponges Announced by Druggists—Dry Goods and Groceries—Merchants Here.

An advance of \$1 per ton on smooth wire, barbed wire, nails and staples, together with an advance of one-half of one percent of the list prices on all woven wire fences, and the withdrawal of the 4th quarter quotations on galvanized and corrugated flat sheets from the market, were interesting developments in the local hardware and iron goods markets Monday.

Notice in advance of price on wire and nails came in the form of a letter dated August 24th, and was to the effect that the advance became of immediate effect. Notice of withdrawal from the market of fourth quarter quotations on flat sheet iron came by telegrams. The latter change in the market will not affect local wholesale houses to any great extent as in most instances they had already bought flat iron goods on fourth quarter prices, or had purchased enough of same on third quarter prices to bridge over the summer and fall season.

The change in price of nails and smooth, and barbed wire will have a more noticeable effect. Within the past forty days nails have advanced twenty cents per kg at the mills. Increased demands for iron goods of all kinds are responsible for increasing prices. According to information of wholesalers the mills are six weeks behind on the output of corrugated and galvanized iron goods, nails and many other articles of shelf hardware.

Car Shortage Already.

Car shortages have already begun to play an important part in the wholesale markets. One firm stated yesterday that with ten car loads of stoves on the wharf at New York, and with customers demanding immediate shipment of stoves, it was impossible to secure cars for the movement.

Asked if there was a probability of continued increase in prices of iron goods, a local wholesaler said: "Prices will continue to advance just so long as business is as good as it is. When the mills need business and there is no demand for their goods, then they will cut prices. At present the prices quoted by all the mills are identical. But you let business drop off and they will begin quoting under one another, in an effort to get the business. It's a case of combination for mutual benefit when business is good and each for himself when there is little business."

In Grocery Line.

In the wholesale grocery line jobbers are selling salmon for future delivery at lower prices than have been quoted on this article for years. Reports are to the effect that two weeks of cold weather and heavy rains in the Michigan pickle belt may cause an advance in the price of pickles.

An advance of five points in all hog products, over the prices of last week are announced Monday, with no change in other staple articles.

Advance in Sponges.

In the wholesale drug market, an advance in the prices of sponges is expected, and may come into effect Tuesday. Already an advance of from 10 per cent to 20 per cent has occurred in this article, but has not been announced at this market. This advance is heavier for the better grade of sponge, and is brought about by reason of the limited supply.

Out-of-Town Merchants.

The new week opened up Monday with prospects for a good business in all lines. Many out-of-town merchants were here purchasing supplies, among whom were the following:

At the Herring Hardware Co., H. J. Hallscher, of Westphalia, Texas, Mr. Stewart buying for the Buckholz Mercantile Co., of Burlington. Mr. Konark, of the firm of Konark & Katinck, of Granger.

At the McLendon Hardware Co., E. E. Watson of Ireland, Thos. Blinck, of Buckholz, W. S. Marshall of Abbott, and J. W. Shaw of Dawson, buying for Gin Brothers.

At the Taylor-Hanna-James Grocery Co., Mr. Freeman of the firm of Freeman & Brusenham of Clinton, W. S. Webb of Robinsonville, E. W. Hawkins of Elk, J. W. Price of Norwood and F. F. Bressler of Gholson.

At the Waco Drug Co., Thomas Blinck of Buckholz, and W. T. Presnell of China Springs.

At C. H. Cox & Co., H. Miller of Gorman.

At Rotan Grocery Co., J. P. Harrell of Lenora, T. C. Morris of Ocoee, and W. R. Dasher of Stephenville.

At Behrens Drug Co., L. V. Henry of The Reisel Drug Co., of Reisel, Texas, and G. C. Cox of Flinn, Texas.

At the Tom Padgett Wholesale Saddlery Co., T. D. Dickson of Dawson.

Trade was especially brisk in the dry goods line, the following out-of-town buyers visiting Sanger Bros. wholesale dry goods establishment to choose fall goods:

George B. Thompson buying for Thompson Bros., Malakoff, Tex.; H. Miller, of Gorman, Herman Hoelzsch, buying for H. J. Hoelzsch, buying for H. J. Hoelzsch & Son of Westphalia, Texas; Reeves Patterson, buying for Patterson Dry Goods Co., of Rotan; J. W. Hamrick, buying for Hamrick Bros., Gorman, Texas; W. E. Withers and Miss Casparis, buying for Withers & Spaulding, Johnson City, Texas; Mr. Stasky, buying for Bremond Cash Store, Bremond, Texas; Mr. Watson, buying for Watson Bros., Jonesboro, Texas; Mr. Glenn, buying for Roundtree & Co., Whitney, Texas; Miss Foster, buying for J. R. Foster, Carbon, Texas; Mr. Schiller, buying for Schill-

ler Mercantile Co., West, Texas; Mr. Stewart, buying for Buckholz Mercantile Co., of Burlington, Texas, and Mrs. Homer Reynolds, buying for L. S. Pierce & Co., of Navasota, Texas. There was no change in the local produce market yesterday, over that announced Monday morning. Sweet potatoes were placed on the market at \$1.50 the bushel. Country eggs, butter, chickens and other staples remained unchanged.

The market quotations follow:

Apples.

Very scarce. Southern varieties only.

Choice, per box \$2.00

Fancy, per box 2.25

Bananas.

Mexican fruit packed, per pound .35¢

Fancy Port Linnons, per pound .35¢

Cabbage.

Colorado crated, per pound 25¢

California Fruits.

Bartlett pears, per crate \$2.75

Black grapes, per crate 2.00

White grapes, per crate 2.00

Gross prunes, red, per crate 2.00

Fallenberg plums, blue, per crate 2.00

Kelsey's plums, yellow, per crate 2.00

Lemons.

Choice 360 and 420s, per box \$4.75

Extra fancy 360 and 420s, per box \$5.25

Onions.

Yellow Bermudas, per crate \$1.00

Yellow prize-takers, per pound 24¢

Potatoes.

California Burbanks (advancing) \$1.10

Oranges.

Valencias, regular sizes \$4.00

Off sizes, 28s and 32s 2.75

Yams.

Texas Whites, per bushel \$1.50

Louisiana Pumpkin, per bushel 1.75

Peaches.

Texas Elbertas, 4-basket crates \$1.60

Texas Elbertas, bushel baskets 1.25

Texas Clings, bushel baskets 1.25

LIVESTOCK.

By The Associated Press.

Fort Worth, Aug. 26.—Cattle receipts

5000; market steady; cows top \$4.50,

steers \$5.50. Calf receipts 3700; mar-

ket steady to strong; tops \$8.75. Sheep

receipts 7700; market steady; lambs

\$6.35.

Chicago.

By The Associated Press.

Chicago, Aug. 26.—Cattle receipts

19,000; market steady, 10¢ higher;

western 10¢/15¢ off for all but best;

betas \$4.75@16.60, Texas steers \$5.00

@6.55, western steers \$6.25@7.50,

stockers \$4.40@7.35, cows and heifers

\$2.65@8.10, calves \$5.50@10.00. Hog

receipts 28,000; market active, mostly

5¢@10¢ higher; packing grades closed

weak; lights \$3.00@4.50, western

\$3.35@4.40, yearlings \$4.40@5.50,

native lambs \$4.50@7.00, western

lambs \$4.50@7.15.

Kansas City.

By The Associated Press.

Kansas City, Aug. 26.—Cattle re-

ceipts 22,000, including 5000 southerns;

market steady to 10¢ lower; dressed

beef and export steers \$8.50@10.50,

western steers \$5.10@8.90, stockers

\$4.25@8.25, southern steers \$4.75@6.25,

southern cows \$3.25@5.25, calves \$4.50

@8.25. Hog receipts 3000; market

steady to 10¢ higher; lambs weak

to 15¢ lower; natives \$3.30@4.50, western

\$3.35@4.40, yearlings \$4.40@5.50,

native lambs \$4.50@7.00, western

lambs \$4.50@7.15.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.

By The Associated Press.

New Orleans, Aug. 26.—Cotton fu-

tures opened steady at a decline of 5 to

7 points on good weather and crop re-

ports over Sunday. Cables were about

as expected. The market was dull in

the early trading and business was

chiefly of an evening up nature. Specu-

lators generally took the short side, be-

cause they were impressed with bear-

ish comment concerning the demand

for spot cotton and the extent of offer-

ings for new crop grades. At the end

of the first half hour prices were 5 to

6 points under Saturday's close. At a

level 7 points down on all trading

months the market began to steady

and started to react on buying, which

appeared to come mainly from shorts.

Absence of rains in Texas and the

forecast of fair weather all over the

western half of the belt stimulated the

buying. The market made no great

display of buying power, however, and

was held down by reports from spot

people that Texas was offering the new

crop very freely at concessions. At

noon prices were 2 to 3 points under

Saturday's close. This was the high-

est of the morning. The close was

barely steady at a net decline of 2¢ to

2.5¢ points.

COTTON SEED PRODUCTS.

New York.

By The Associated Press.

St. Louis, Aug. 26.—Cattle receipts

18,000, including 900 Texans; market

steady; native shipping and export

steers \$8.50@10.00, dressed and butcher

steers \$6.00@8.50, stockers \$8.25@8.75,

calves \$6.75, Texas and Oklahoma

steers \$4.50@8.50, cows and heifers

\$2.50@7.50, hog receipts 1400; mar-

ket 15¢ higher; pigs and lights \$6.50@

9.05, mixed and butchers \$7.00@9.05,

stockers \$5.50@7.50, lambs \$6.00@8.75,

sheep receipts 10,000; market steady;

uttons \$3.75@4.25, muttons \$3.75@4.25,

lambs \$

MR. ABEEL WILL BUILD

NEW HOUSE WILL GO UP ON MARY STREET.

Land Mark on Corner of Eighth Will Probably Be Torn Down in a Short Time.

It is very likely that as soon as Alred Abel returns to the city he will arrange to build a new brick house at the corner of Eighth and Mary streets, adjoining the property of the Big Four ice company.

The old red brick now on the corner, which was damaged by the second fire which occurred yesterday, is a landmark. It belonged for thirty years to Tom Padgett, and it was his intention during this year to build on it, but lately Mr. Abel made him an offer on it and the sale was made. Mr. Abel at that time expressed his intention of building on the property, a house similar to that he owns on Eighth street. If this improvement is made it will improve that section of the town very much. The building now on the corner is used for a storage house and is occupied downstairs by repair men.

Mrs. Lucy Elliott will erect a hand-some two-story frame residence at 806 Speight street. The structure will cost \$3000 or more, and work is to commence at once. A building permit was taken out Monday.

DEEDS FILED FOR RECORD.

(Reported by National Exchange Insurance and Trust Co. Abstract Department, R. S. Vaughan, manager.) J. N. Britton et al to Henry Kettler, 50 acres of land out of Martinez 2-league grant, \$5000.

G. W. Porter to Henry Porter, interest in father's estate, \$200.

W. Y. Pond et al to Mrs. D. B. Adams, lot 9, block 3, Bagby addition, Waco, \$1200.

West End Realty Co. to Nat S. Smith, lot 8, block "G," West End addition, Waco, \$200.

Nat S. Smith to Charles A. Weather, lot 8, block "G," West End addition, Waco, \$700.

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IDELE SUNDAY BUSY MONDAY

MOVING PICTURE SUIT

INJUNCTION AGAINST CITY ORDINANCE IS SET FOR HEARING.

Judge Robertson of Bell County to Sit Second Week of September in Case.

September 9 is the date set for the hearing of J. D. Lempke's application to enjoin the city commissioners from enforcing the new moving picture show regulations. Other show managers are parties to the complaint against the city. The application will be heard by Judge John D. Robertson, of Bell county, who will exchange benches for the week with Judge Marshall Surratt of the Waco court.

The application has been pending since Jan. 13. Several articles in the city ordinance are attacked in Mr. Lempke's petition, but it is understood the main fight will be made over the clause regulating the entrances to the operating rooms in the shows. The ordinance provides for but one small opening from the operator's room to the main auditorium. That opening is to be 6x12 inches and is to be used for flashing the pictures from the machine to the canvas. It is to be provided with a spring door in order that it may be instantly closed in case of fire. The ordinance specifies that the operator shall enter and leave the room through a passageway, which shall not open into the main auditorium. It is this clause to which the show managers object.

City Attorney Williams and his assistant, W. R. Saunders, will represent the city in this contest. W. L. Eason will urge the injunction for Lempke, who is the owner of the Elmo theater. The clause regulating the openings in the operating rooms, where all the fire hazards exist, has been approved by the state insurance commissioner.

BOND IS FIXED.

On a hearing on a forgery charge, J. H. Powell, a white man, was held over to await the action of the grand jury in Justice Richey's court yesterday. His bond was fixed at \$500. Powell is charged with forging the name of A. L. Talley to a check for \$75.50, which was cashed by the Franklin Street Bargain Store recently.

Assistant County Attorney Frank B. Tiley prosecuted the case.

SUIT IS FILED.

T. H. Kessler & Co. was made a defendant in a suit for collection of \$1802.76, which was filed by attorneys for the Chicago Lumber and Coal company of Houston, in the Fifty-fourth district court yesterday.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

The following marriage licenses were issued yesterday: W. L. Ford and Mrs. C. A. Baldwin.

Albert Howell and Paralee Holloway.

W. F. Kirkpatrick and Annie Colley.

PROHIBITION MASS MEETING.

The pros will have a monster mass meeting for everybody on the lawn of the Austin Avenue M. E. church to-night at 8. Both pros and antis are urged to attend. Dr. S. P. Brooks, W. J. Mitchell, Oscar Myer and others will speak. Business men are especially invited.

(Adv.)

TO FINANCE COTTON CROP.

Southern States Corporation Organizes in This City.

R. E. Alexander, organizer for the Southern States Cotton corporation, was in Waco yesterday and completed the county organization for McLennan county, which includes a number of the leading men of Central Texas.

The following are the names of the directors: Ed Archer, chairman, of West; J. C. Reynolds, vice chairman,

Moody; Dr. J. E. Brown, secretary, McGregor; Dr. T. F. Miles, Lorena; A. C. Wendorf, West; W. L. Steele, West; M. Falkner, Waco.

The meetings in each of the towns were attended by several of the leading farmers, bankers and business men and received the support of all who attended. There will be public speakings, explaining the marketing system for the cotton crop as proposed by the Southern States cotton corporation as fast as the speakers can cover the county. The farmers over the entire state are attending these speakings and giving their strongest endorsement to the plan, which is as follows:

In line with a recent Interstate Commerce Commission order, the expressman has got to go through a half dozen details before the package can be shipped. Therefore, unless he receives the package in sufficient time, the chances are it will be held over to the next train. Robert Frazier, agent of the American Express Company, and R. E. L. Montgomery, agent of the Wells-Fargo Company, have issued a statement to Waco patrons warning them of the intricacies of this order.

Every package has got to be properly billed, weighed, routed and put through every other detail before it can be placed on the train.

"This order puts extra work on us," said Mr. Frazier last night. "It changes all the features of the expressman's business, adds detail to the work and makes it much slower. I would advise the patrons to give us time on express packages."

DILLARD BACK AFTER TRIP

FREIGHT DEFICIENCIES OF THIS TERRITORY LOOKED INTO.

TO GO TO FORT WORTH

Where He Will Help Form Protest Against Tariff in Interest of Northern Houses.

J. C. Dillard, traffic manager of the Waco freight bureau, has returned from a week's trip over Waco trade territory. He visited the various division and junction points for the purpose of remedying deficiencies that have been occurring and to expedite all shipments from this city as much as possible.

Mr. Dillard will represent Waco at the meeting in Fort Worth August 30-31 of the Four States Traffic League, composed of traffic organizations in Texas, Louisiana, Oklahoma and Arkansas. The main purpose of the conference is for preparing a brief to present to the Interstate Commerce Commission, showing why the changes in Western Classification No. 51 should not be allowed to go into effect. Waco and other cities are vitally concerned.

Classification No. 51 was issued December 30, 1911, by the Western Classification Committee, representing all railroads west of the Mississippi river. It was to become effective February 15, 1911, but is now under suspension by the Interstate Commerce Commission until December 14 next.

The classification calls for about 2000 changes, including increase in rates and other shipping conditions, and is a vital blow at retail and jobbing business in the Southwest. In the opinion of traffic men, who say that the big interests of Chicago are behind the move.

"Should the classification be permitted to go into effect, it would spell disaster to the entire jobbing and retail interests of Texas," commented Mr. Dillard yesterday. "Such houses as Sears, Roebuck & Company, and Montgomery, Ward & Company, for example, would be given every advantage in rate and shipping requirements. There are hundreds of other disadvantages shouldered upon the wholesalers and retailers that must not be carried out if the combined efforts of the Southwest can prevent it."

MUST BILL ALL EXPRESS.

Packages Cannot be Handled in a Hurry at Train Time.

Owner of Big Four Absent.

The Big Four Ice Company is owned by Alfred Abel, who is now in California. William C. Abel, his son, who is the manager of the plant, is in Battle Creek, Mich. The property was being handled by L. W. Winn, assistant manager, and Chief Engineer Schrade. As soon as they could do so, telegrams were sent to Alfred Abel and to Manager W. C. Abel. Manager Abel was staying at home.

The report at the office of the company is that the plant will be rebuilt at once. While figures on the loss are given out at the plant as \$50,000, there is no one who saw the wreck of the engine room will estimate it under \$100,000, and there are many who believe it will be much more.

There was no insurance on the Big Four plant. It is stated that Mr. Abel carries his own insurance and that he had no policies covering the property against fire.

HOUSE ON NORTH SIXTH.

A "haunted" house, located at 1219 North Sixth street and owned and occupied by M. M. Decker, a negro woman, was practically destroyed by fire at 4 o'clock Monday morning. The cause of the blaze is unknown. The woman had \$200 insurance on the structure.

Negroes in the neighborhood told Fire Marshal Dan Nicholson the house was "sho' haunted." Many of them shied clear of it. A death occurred there some time ago. The Decker woman had not been at home since Saturday.

VISITING IN HOME STATE.

Texas Boys Back After Tour of Asiatic Waters.

J. Jeanns coxswain on the California, and D. H. Michano, quartermaster on the South Dakota, are in Waco for their four months' leave of absence, following the expiration of their four years' enlistment in the navy.

Mr. Jeanns is an old Waco boy and Mr. Michano's home is at Houston. The two boys entered as apprentice seamen at \$17.60 per month. By careful attention to duty they worked themselves up to responsible positions and if they decide to re-enlist at the end of their four months' leave of absence they will be further advanced and their pay increased to \$40 a month.

During their four years' service in the navy they have lived exclusively in foreign waters, being located on what is known as the Asiatic station, which includes cruising about China, Japan and the Philippine Islands. The isolation of the station enables the sailors to save practically all they make. Jeanns and Michano have profited by this advantage and are now in a position to do something else if they decide not to re-enlist.

Both were formerly associated with C. H. Miller, chief master at arms of the United States navy and recruiting officer at Waco. They were with the local officer in the Asiatic station. The latter has been in the naval service 15 years. He served through the Spanish-American war.

ATTACK ON FREIGHT RATES.

By The Associated Press.

Washington, Aug. 26.—An attack by the Augusta, Ga., Chamber of Commerce upon recently increased freight rates on fruits and vegetables from New York City and other New York points to Augusta was laid before the Interstate Commerce commission to-day. The new rates are declared to be excessive and discriminatory and demand is made that they be reduced to the old scale, in effect for many years.

EXPECTS BIG CROPS.

By The Associated Press.

Portland, Ore., Aug. 26.—Judge Robert S. Lovett, chairman of the execu-

tive committee of the board of directors of the Harriman lines, who arrived here last night, said that after an inspection of the wheat fields of the country west of the Missouri river, he believed the railroads would be able to handle the crops, though it would tax them to do it.

WELLS-FARGO MEN MEET.

By The Associated Press.

Texarkana, Ark., Aug. 26.—Twenty-eight Texas agents of the Wells-Fargo met here Sunday to arrange for the adoption of a new way billing system ordered by the interstate commerce commission. Superintendent K. E. of Tyler, presided.

BURNED BRIDGE DELAYS TRAIN.

A burned bridge about midway between Hubbard City and Corsicana late Sunday delayed traffic on the Cotton Belt for about eight hours. The passenger train due here early Sunday evening did not arrive until 2 o'clock Sunday morning.

LEHANE IS HERE.

J. E. Hickman, age 31, fired a bullet into his own head near Thirteenth and Clay streets at 7:30 o'clock last night after he had fired three wild shots at his former wife, Mrs. Nora Richardson, and Lewis Ephriam, a young grocery clerk. Hickman died almost instantly. When the woman fell over a fence in her flight he thought he had killed her and turned the weapon on himself.

Ephriam and Mrs. Richardson were walking together when Hickman approached them, drew a pistol and began firing. The first two shots were directed at Ephriam, who began to run when he saw the pistol; the third was aimed at the woman and the fourth went into Hickman's brain. Ephriam's coat was torn and a bullet went directly between the woman's head over the temple, as bullet holes in her skirt indicated.

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Hickman advanced to within twenty feet of the couple before he drew the pistol. "Now is as good a time as any," he said. "I'll kill you both," and opened fire.

"Elmer, don't do that," the former wife says she cried as she started to ward him. The woman stopped short and tried to climb a fence when she saw the first flash of the pistol. When Hickman fired at her, the woman fell over the fence and landed in a heap in the yard at the Flanagan home, 1220 Clay street.

"I've killed you, now I'll kill myself," Mrs. Richardson said. She heard another report of the pistol, but did not stop to consider its meaning and ran through the yard and crawled under the porch of the Flanagan home. She came from her hiding place when other people reached Hickman and she heard them say he had killed himself.

Dying When Officers Came.

Hickman was dying when Officers Carlisle and Morgan arrived. Both Mrs. Richardson and Ephriam were there. Blood and brains were coming from the man's right ear, where the bullet entered. He used a .32 caliber pistol. It was said the police call a Saturday night gun.

Hickman's gray haired mother was bending over his body and sobbing a few minutes later. She is Mrs. W. H. Crim and lives with her husband on North Eleventh street. Her son was born and reared in Waco she said.

Hickman and his wife were divorced last May after three years of married life. She lives with her mother, Mrs. W. E. Hasha, at 625 South Eleventh street. Hickman has been boarding there for a month. Ephriam boarded nearby at 701 South Tenth street.

Mrs. Richardson's Story.

Mrs. Richardson, age 26, very pretty and stylishly dressed, told her romantic story to Justice Dan Ford at the inquest, which was held at the city hall an hour after the tragedy. She was not excited and smiled frequently at incidents she related. She laughed at Hickman's poor aim. "It's a funny place to try to kill anybody," she said, pointing at the holes in her dress below the knees.

Her maiden name was Nora Wright, and she has lived in Waco for nine years. She married Hickman in March of 1909 when she was 17 years old. She called Hickman "Red," the name by which he was known all over town. She was his second wife, she said.

"When Red came toward us I had no idea that he had a pistol," she said. "He looked mad, and I thought he would have something to say, but I did not expect anything serious. He has threatened me only recently, but I did not think anything about it. He wanted me to marry him again, and he kept at it all the time.

Nursed Him in Illness.

"We were divorced in the spring. Red was manager of the Hippodrome theater, and it was about a month ago when we heard that he was sick and had no one to care for him. He was sleeping in the theater. Mamma phoned him and told him to come on out to our home. She said we would take care of him until he got well. He came out right away and I gave up my room to him. For a week he was there in bed and mamma and myself took care of him. When he got up he said, 'Mrs. Hasha, I want to board with you; this place seems like home to me—it is the only home I've got.' Well, mamma, let him stay and he paid her four dollars a week.

Wanted to Remarry Her.

"He commenced right away to try to get me to marry him again. I told him no—that we did not get along when we were living together and I knew we never could. We went out to show with him and he insisted on my marrying him again. The other day I told mamma to tell him to go away; that he was worrying me and I just could not stand it. But he did not leave the house. Tonight I walked a block with him. I thought he was going to town.

Her Fatal Was Lucky.

"I don't believe Red would have hit himself if I had not fallen over that fence. I was scared and don't really know how I got over the fence, but I heard him say, 'I've killed you—

KILLS SELF ON THE STREET

J. E. HICKMAN TURNS PISTOL TO HIS HEAD FOR FINAL SHOT.

FIRES AT FORMER WIFE

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